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For : METHOD FOR MODELING AN IMPLANT AND AN IMPLANT  
MANUFACTURED BY THE METHOD

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to the calculation of the filing fees and examination of the above-identified patent application on the merits, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the claims as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows (a marked-up copy of the claim amendments is provided as an attachment to this Amendment):

10. (Amended-Clean Text) An implant which is manufactured based on a model prepared in accordance with the modeling method as defined in claim 1.

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Please add new claims 13 to 20 as follows:

---13. An implant which is manufactured based on a model prepared in accordance with the modeling method as defined in claim 2.

14. An implant which is manufactured based on a model prepared in accordance with the modeling method as defined in claim 3.

15. An implant which is manufactured based on a model prepared in accordance with the modeling method as defined in claim 4.

16. An implant which is manufactured based on a model prepared in accordance with the modeling method as defined in claim 5.

17. An implant which is manufactured based on a model prepared in accordance with the modeling method as defined in claim 6.

18. An implant which is manufactured based on a model prepared in accordance with the modeling method as defined in claim 7.